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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

As I read more about the recent developments in the Microsoft settlement, I become more frustrated in the fact that it may be even further delayed. By delaying the enforcement of this agreement, we directly delay the advancement of our American technology industry. As the rest of the global market moves on, America's technology industry is forced to focus on litigation rather than innovation.

Not only has Microsoft agreed to make changes in licensing and marketing, but has agreed to design future versions of Windows for easier installation of non-Microsoft software. Beyond this, Microsoft has agreed to be monitored by a committee in order to ensure that they follow proper procedure. All of these concessions are clearly a step toward a more unified technology industry. By working together, we help our American technology industry maintain its position of leadership in this highly competitive global market.

As we face this competitive market, we must be prepared for the many changes involved in this industry. By being able to focus on innovation, we can be prepared for these changes and stay on top of the market. By enforcing this agreement, we will be able to utilize it as a guideline for advancement within the market.

Sincerely,

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